



MICHIGAN ADOPTION FACTS

2013

The goal of Michigan's Adoption Services Program is to place children in adoptive homes as quickly as possible following termination of parental rights due to child abuse or neglect. The program provides services to these children and to families who want to adopt. Services are provided by the Michigan Department of Human Services and through contracts with 65 private Michigan child-placing agencies.

There are about 13,400 children in the foster care system. There are about 2,770 children whose parents' rights have been terminated and have a goal of adoption. More than 2,300 children were adopted through the Michigan Department of Human Services and private adoption agencies in fiscal year 2013. Most adoptions were by a relative or foster parent.

Many children who are available for adoption qualify for adoption assistance to help families with some of the costs of bringing children into their homes. Approximately 27,000 adopted children receive ongoing support subsidies. The total amount of adoption support subsidy paid to adoptive families by the state of Michigan is about \$213 million annually.

Children in foster care as of Sept. 30:

2006: 18,414
2007: 18,943
2008: 18,016
2009: 16,115
2010: 15,250
2011: 14,284
2012: 13,639
2013: 13,402

Includes children in foster homes, mental health facilities or with relatives, legal guardians, independent living, boarding schools and other placements.

Licensed foster homes in Michigan as of Sept. 30:

2006: 7,292
2007: 6,999
2008: 6,530
2009: 6,833
2010: 7,166
2011: 7,264
2012: 7,062
2013: 7,042

New foster home licenses issued each calendar year:

2006: 1,556
2007: 1,366
2008: 1,345
2009: 2,156
2010: 2,013
2011: 1,820
2012: 2,120
2013: 1,968*

**Through October 2013*

Number of adoptions from foster care each fiscal year:

2006: 2,589
2007: 2,602
2008: 2,722
2009: 3,030
2010: 2,612
2011: 2,426
2012: 2,554
2013: 2,352**

***Through Sept. 30, 2013; final data available Jan. 2014*